

Judy Mitrowitz

Year of Induction: **2018**

Year of Graduation: **N/A**

Judy Mitrowitz started her career as a tried and true Wildcat in 1975 when as a young teacher she began as a high school business education teacher. From the moment she walked through the doors, she donned maroon and white and became a true supporter of everything maroon and white.

Judy graduated from Chenango Valley High School in 1970 and acquired an associates degree, bachelor's degree, and a Masters degree in Business Education followed years later with an administrative certificate in New York State. She taught in Johnson City High School for 38 years and served in many different capacities throughout those years. Not only did she teach thousands of students, she also served as department chairperson, yearbook and senior class advisor, and was president of the Johnson City Teachers Association and currently serves as Director of the Johnson City Teacher Center. After retirement from the school district in 2013, Judy continued her commitment to public service as an ombudsman for Action for Older Persons and CHOW at the St. James Pantry. This past school year she was elected to the Chenango Valley School Board.

Nominated for the Johnson City Hall of Fame as a contributor, Judy Mitrowitz was also active in many ways outside the classroom during her career. She served as the advisor to the Junior Varsity and Varsity Cheerleaders for Football and Basketball from 1978 to 1991. In those days, cheerleading was considered a club but worked closely with the Athletic Director to support both sports during their season. She also kept the boys' basketball book for away games from 1985 to 1992 when she took on keeping the boys' basketball book for both home and away games until a few years before she retired.

She was a familiar face in the concession stand at all home varsity football games from 1995 until 2011 (the year of the flood) as Senior Class advisor. Running the concession stand along with the senior class, she fed countless numbers of football fans popcorn, chili, hot dogs, kielbasa, and pizza over the years. For the seniors who graduated from JCHS, Judy made sure they all had caps and gowns, yearbooks, class trips, a fantastic prom, and a memorable graduation ceremony.

When Judy retired in June of 2013, she had left her mark on the school district in almost every area of the district. She was the person students and staff sought out for support and answers. While she is officially retired from the school district, she continues leading the Johnson City Teacher Center activities such as New Teacher Orientation and helps the district compile their annual BEDS report to just name a few.

It is with great Wildcat pride, the Hall of Fame committee has nominated Judy Mitrowitz as the 2018 contributer.